

The Caledonian Mercury.

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From the Daily Post Boy, Feb. 19.

Hague, Feb. 21

HAVING formerly given some Account of the Great Duke of Tuscany's Family, it may not be improper to give the Publick at present some Insight into the House of Parma.

The Duke of Parma's Surname is *Farnese*, which is derived from a Castle in Tuscany. This present Duke's Name is *Francis*, and is the Seventh Duke of Parma and Placentia. He was born May 19, 1678, and married (Nov. 29, 1695) Dorothy-Sophia, Daughter to Philip William, Elector Palatine.

His Father was Rainutio II. who had 3 Wives: The first was Margaret, Daughter of Victor Amadeus I. Duke of Savoy, who died without Issue. The 2d was Isabel d'Este, Daughter of Francis I. Duke of Modena: By her he had Issue, Margareta-Maria Brancifca, who died 1699; Teresa, born Oct. 16, 1665; Odoardo Farnese, Hereditary Prince of Parma, born Aug. 12, 1666, died Sept. 5, 1693. He left Issue, Alexander Ignatius, born 1691, died 1673; Elizabeth, born Oct. 25, 1692, married to Philip V. present King of Spain, in 1714, whose eldest Son Don Carlos is.

By his (Duke Rainutio) 3d Wife, he had Isabel, born Decem. 14, 1668; Francis Farnese, the present Duke of Parma; Anthony, born Nov. 29, 1679. He travelled France and the Netherlands by the Name of Marquis de Sala. In 1715 he married Benedista Ernestina-Maria, Hereditary Princess of Modena.

The Revenues of the Great Duke of Tuscany are computed at 1,800,000 Ducats a Year, whereof the City of Florence alone furnishes 700,000. His Royal Highness, tho' neutral last War, maintained about 5000 Horse and 20,000 Foot, and could have kept a much greater Force if he had thought proper.

The Duke of Parma's Revenue amounts to about 400,000 Crowns a Year; but as to his Forces, we do not hear of any he has, besides the Garrisons of his Towns:

Ennesfort, Feb. 18. To the End of December last has been raised here for the Service of the Emperor, 3590 Men; and the Levies are still continued.

Wyn's Letter verbatim, London, Febr. 21.

Since our last arrived a Mail from France.

ON Saturday last James Rutherford of Bowland Esq; was chosen Representative of the County of Selkirk in Scotland, and on Tuesday last William Burton of North Luffingham Esq; was chosen Representative for the County of Rutland, without Opposition.

Yesterday died at his House in Covent Garden Sir George Brown of Caversham in Oxfordshire, as did the Day before Mr. Furniss, first Yeoman of his Majesty's Wine Cellars, which Place is reckoned worth above 100 L. per Annum, and is in the Gift of the Duke of Dorset, Lord Steward of his Majesty's Household.

Yesterday his Majesty came to the House of Peers, and gave the Royal Assent to the Bill, for laying two Shillings in the Pound upon all Lands, Tenements, &c. and also to a Bill for naturalizing Mr. Paul Torras, and 13 other Persons included in his said Bill.

The Affairs of Europe seeming more and more to threaten a Rupture, occasions divers Suggestions and Insinuations; but however, they are not able to instill any great Fear or Jealousies, so long as the good Union and Harmony betwixt his Majesty and his Allies continues.

We are assured that an Express is arrived from France with the following Answer from his Most Christian Majesty, in Relation to Dunkirk, and which was Yesterday communicate by Sir Robert Walpole, viz.

That if any Thing be done to the Harbour or Fortifications of Dunkirk contrary to Treaty, it is unknown to his Majesty; and if any such Thing does appear, Care shall be taken to put it in the Condition the Treaty of Utrecht Directs. 'Tis thought by the above Answer, that the

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Facts are not as they have been represented by some here, particularly with Respect to the repairing the Fortification of Dunkirk, which by the Treaty of Utrecht, were as well as the Harbour, Moles, &c. to be entirely demolished, and never repaired again on any Pretence whatsoever.

Last Night the Right Honourable the Lord Harrington took his Leave of their Majesties, and this Morning about 5 a-Clock his Lordship set out for Paris.

By private Letters from an English Gentleman at Rome, dated the 5th instant, advise, that all the Florintines are very desirous of Don Carlos, and Spanish Government, which agrees with what has been formerly related, That the Italians are more inclinable to the Spanish, than the Imperial Yoke.

Yesterday at the Court of Sittings at the King's Bench Westminster, came on the Trial of Japhet Crook, alias Sir Peter Stranger, for Perjury, in swearing an Answer in Chancery in February 1727, to a Bill brought against him in January 1726, to discover the Writings of an Estate; and upon the Evidence for the King, it appeared that he had mortgaged the said Writings, above two Years before his Answer, and that by the said Answer he denied that he had got any Writings relating to the said Estate, into his Custody or Power, which being spoke in the present Tense, could not be extended to a Preterperfect Meaning, and the Court being of Opinion, that the Prosecution seemed rather to be carried on to blacken the said Crook, than in regard to doing Justice: The Jury, after a Hearing of several Hours, acquitted him of the Charge.

The Charter for establishing the E. India Company expiring in the Year 1733. Several eminent Merchants of this City have had divers Meetings, in Order to form a Scheme for laying open that Trade to all his Majesty's Subjects, and have come to a Resolution to propose to the Parliament, that they will raise by Subscription the Sum of 3 Millions, 200000 L. and lend it at 2 per Cent, which Sum the Government is indebted to the Company, in order to pay them off, for which they will have the Power of receiving 1 per Cent on all Exports for India, and Imports from thence, and 5 per Cent on the Sale of Goods.

From the Weekly Journals, Feb. 21.

The Account of the Czar's Death is confirmed

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from all Parts. When the first Account of this News arrived at certain Courts, it was said his Imperial Majesty would lay down his Arms, seeing it would probably deprive him of the Succours from Russia; and some Persons were so sore of it, that they were ready to compliment certain Ministers upon it, as an Incident foreseen by their Great Wifdoms when they made certain Treaties. But as this great Hope lessens, we are like to lose a great deal of rich Flattery.

From the Hague we were told some time ago, that there were but Two separate Articles in the Treaty of Seville, both which tended only to preserve the Balance and Peace of Europe: But the Imperial Ministers pretend they have already discovered, that Five of these Two are highly prejudicial to the Honour of their Master; and if the Eight which now begin to be owned shall be made publick, his Imperial Majesty will publish his Objections against Ten of them--- The Meaning of all this Galimatry amounts to no more than this, that the Two Secret Articles are already swelled to Eight; and if they are not soon made publick, who knows but they may swell to as many more?

The Squadron sitting out at Cadix is now almost ready; it is to transport 6000 Spaniards to garison the Towns of Tuscany and Parma, and in case of Opposition, another Squadron is to follow with a great Force, to turn out the Tuscan and Parmesan Garrisons out of their own Cities, and thrust themselves in. The French, apprehensive of a Resistance in those Parts, are making Preparations to assist their new Friends. The Great Duke, still unwilling of Foreigners of any Sort in his Dominions, has represented to the Emperor, the Danger that might accrue from his Imperial Majesty's sending Troops into Tuscany; but he has been answered, That his Forces should not enter his Dominions, unless the Spaniards went about to take Footing there: So that 'tis likely we may soon hear of hot Work there. The Emperor loudly complains of the Breach of the Quadruple Alliance, by which he is resolved to stand; and of the most extraordinary Manner he has been treated in by the New Allies.

From the Evening Post, Feb. 21.

Hanover, Feb. 17. We hardly hear of any Thing here but War and Military Preparations. A Train of Artillery is ready to take the Field, and a great Quantity of Corn is ground, in order to be pack'd up in Tons. A Contract is made with a Field Baker

ker and several Servants; and Orders are given for erecting Magazines. Great Sums of Money are remitted to Woffenbottle and Cassel. Last Monday arrived here an Express from London, and the next Day we sent a Courier to Cassel; and the Night before last arrived another Express from London, who only stopt untill he delivered his Dispatches, and then proceeded much farther, as we are told. But after all, this does not discover the true Reason of our Military Preparations: We must wait the Return of another Express from G. Britain, before we are let into the Secret. The Q. of Prussia is on the mending Hand. Notwithstanding our Differences with that Court, we have allowed the Exportation of 38 Horses for remounting their Cavalry. Yesterday there was an extraordinary Assembly of our Ministers of State. The Baron Schutz is hence to the Court of Denmark, to execute a Commission relating to the Auxiliaries of that Crown.

From the Daily Post-Boy, Feb. 21.

Wetzlar, Feb. 22. We hear that several Prussian Regiments are ordered to march hither from Brandenburg.

Moscow, Feb. 1. Orders have been dispatched to our Ministers at Foreign Courts, to give Assurances, that the Death of the Emperor, and the Accession of the new Emperess, shall make no Alteration in our Engagements with Foreign Powers.

Genoa, Feb. 4. The Master of an English Vessel arrived here from Marseilles reports, that besides the Men of War and Gallies fitting out there, they are equipping Fireships, &c.

Rome, Feb. 4. On Sunday after Noon the Consort of the Chevalier de St. George went to the Cloister of Nuns of St. Francis de Sales, to hear the first Vespers of that Saint's Festival, and next Morning she went thither again, and dined with some Ladies in that Cloister. The Chevalier de S. George had a long Conference Yesterday with the Pope in the Palace of the Vatican. A Marriage is concluded between the Chevalier Marsigli of Bologna, and an Irish Lady of the Princess Sobieski's Court. It having been resolved to put Garrisons of the Pope's Troops into Parma and Placentia, as Fiefs of the Holy See, Signor Perelli is nominated Commissary of these Troops.

Dusseldorp, Decem. 21. We continue to buy up great Quantities of Horses to remount the Elector Palatine's Cavalry. The Elector of Cologne does

intend to repair the decayed Fortifications of Keyserwaert.

Milan, Feb. 4. The 7 Regiments of Imperialists in this Country are to be made up 2300 Men each; and the 6 Regiments of Horse, 1096 Men each; and as all the Imperial Regiments are to be put on the same Foot, we look upon a War in Italy as unavoidable.

Vienna, Feb. 13. We flatter ourselves, for more Reasons than one, that a certain King will come into the Emperor's Party. We are assured his Imperial Majesty has declared, that he will not depart from the Treaties already made; That however he would leave all to the Decision of the Most Christian King, and send proper Instructions for that Purpose to Count Kinski at Paris. Mean time, some think that his Imperial Majesty is too far engaged to draw back in good earnest.

Ratisbon, Feb. 16. The Elector of Bavaria has made a Promotion of General Officers, and disposed of 3 vacant Regiments. We look upon it as certain here, that there will be fresh Troubles in Italy.

Hamburg, Feb. 17. All our Advices from Brunswick are full of Expectations of a Campaign next Summer, the Troops of the Electorate of Hanover continuing ready to march.

Madrid, Feb. 7. Letters from Lisbon of the 19th inst advise, that on the 15th the King of Portugal gave Audience to the Earl of Kinnoul, Peer of Great Britain, and Ambassador of the King of G. Britain to the Ottoman Porte.

Rome, Feb. 4. The Princess Consort of the Prince of Palestrina, aged 13 Years, one Month, and a few Days, was brought to bed of a Daughter the 30th inst.

South Sea Stock 101, 1 half.

Edinburgh, Feb. 26. Alexander Forbes Esq; Brother to the Honourable Sir Arthur Forbes of Craigievar, who was last Week taken ill of the Small Pox, is now in a fair way of Recovery, to the great Joy of that Honourable Family, and all who have the good Fortune of his Acquaintance, he being a Youth of extraordinary Qualifications.

This Day (being the 20th of the Moon) 'tis High Water at Leith at 5, 30 Min. Tomorrow, at 6, 18 Min. On Saturday, at 7, 6 Min.

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¶ Whereas one *George Watson* was convicted of Theft before the Justices of the Peace (at Dalkeith) in December last, on whom there was found an Old SILVER SPOON, with that Part broke off where the Name of the Proprietor is ordinarily engraven. Whoever can prove the Spoon to be theirs, shall have it return'd on paying the Charges of this Intimation. Enquire at JAMES CUTHBERTSON Constable in Musselburgh. The Fellow said, he found the Spoon in a Dunghill in Aberdeen-shire.

¶ There being a YEARLY FAIR, commonly called *St. Cuffin's Fair*, at Dunnichen in Forfarshire, on the 11th Day of March, for Horse and Cattle of all Sorts: These are to Advertise, That all Horse and Cattle brought to the said Fair shall be free of Custom for Five Years to come.

¶ That the Large TENEMENT lying at the West-Port of Dalkeith, consisting of Three Stories and Garrets, with the Officehouses belonging thereto, lying on the South Side of the High Street of Dalkeith; lately built and newly repaired, and in good sufficient Tenantable Condition, about 94 L. Scots of yearly Rent: Are to be Rouped and Sold at publick Roup, upon Thursday the Twelfth Day of March next, 'twixt the Hours of 2 & 4 after Noon. The Conditions of Roup, Progress of Writs, &c. may be seen in the Hands of JAMES MILN Clerk of Dalkeith, any time before the Roup.

¶ That on Wednesday the 8th of April next, there are to be expoud to Sale, by way of voluntary Roup, in the House of Patrick Wallace Vintner in Aberbrothock, 'twixt the Hours of 2 & 4 after Noon, Nine Acres and three Roods of LAND, belonging to the said Patrick Wallace, adjacent to the said Burgh, within the Regality thereof and Sheriffdom of Forfar; paying yearly of free Rent 36 Bolls of Bear, and holding of the Crown, for Payment to the Abbey of Aberbrothock of One Boll of Bear, and 3 L. 7 sh. Scots Money, which is likewise paid by the Tenants, besides the above 36 Bolls of Bear payable to the Master. The Conditions of Roup and Progress of Writs, are to be seen in the Hands Patrick Alexander, Town clerk of Aberbrothock, any time betwixt and the Day of Roup.

¶ That the House of ORCHYARDFIELD, commonly called Livingston's Yards, lying near the West Kirk, a little without the West-port, Edinburgh, consisting of 9 Fire-rooms, with Closets and other Conveniences, such as Shuffle-board-house, with two Shuffle board-tables, Stable and Hay-lofts, with other Officehouses, and Gardens with well bearing Fruit-trees, consisting of 3 Acres of Ground; which Gardens may go separately or together, presently possessed by David Thomson Vintner; Is to be let in Tack, for more or less Space of Years, to be entred to at Whitsunday next: Or it may be had, for the better Encouragement, in Sub-Few. Enquire at James Wat Brewer in Orchardfield.

Last Week arrived at Leith, from Spain, on board of
CAPTAIN BARCLAY,

A Parcel of fine and true SEVILLE ORANGES and LIMONS, to be sold the first Lost above the Weigh-house in Leith; the Oranges, at 8 Pence the Dozen in Retail, and in Chefts, at 30 sh. the Limons, at 6 Pence the Dozen in Retail, and in Chefts, at 30 sh. Also a Parcel of good fresh Chestnuts, Walnuts and China Oranges, at reasonable Rates: By ARCHIBALD SHEILS; at whose Shop (at the Hand and Orange near the Cross) the above Goods may also be had at said Prices. Where you may be served with Gold Pippens, Nonpareils, and all Sorts of Baking-Apples, with Suggars of all Sorts, and all Kinds of Grocery Ware, &c.

¶ That there are several ROOMS of LAND, with convenient Steedings built thereon, of greater and smaller Extent, either to be *sewed*, or *sette in long Tacks*, in the Barony of Kerse, lying about a Mile from, and within the Parish of Falkirk, and Sheriffdom of Stirling. The Progress, and Conditions of the Fees, are to be seen in the Hands of THOMAS ELIOT Writer, at the Insurance Office in Edinburgh; or JOHN HAY of Candie, at his House near Borroughsmouth; or at the House of Kerse.

By the Managers of the Linen Manufactory and Bleach-ers: at Glasgow in Fife.

This BLEACHING FIELD being now entirely finish'd, and considerable Quantities of Linen, of all Sorts, having been bleached thereat last Summer, to the entire Satisfaction of all the Owners thereof: Therefore the said Managers do hereby give notice, that they have contracted with their Dutch Bleaching-master for the Space of Seven Years, and have made sufficient Provision for all proper Materials for Bleaching, and are ready to lay down Cloth, as early March next as the Season will permit. The Prices of Bleaching will be as follows: viz. Cloth under 10 sh. Scots Price the Yard, at 2 d. halfpenny; Cloth from 10 sh. to 1 L. Scots, 3 d. Cloth from 1 L. to 1 L. 10 sh. 4 d. Cloth from 1 L. 10 sh. to 2 L. Scots, 5 d. and all Cloth above 2 L. at 6 d. the Yard, all Yard broad; and so in Proportion for all Cloth of a greater Breadth. Therefore any Persons who incline to have Cloth bleached at the said Field, may send it to Provost Lindesay's Shop in Edinburgh, or to Alexander Barclay (Clerk to the Copartnery) his House in Copart. The Cloth is to be laid down in the same Order as it comes to the Clerk's Hands, without Distinction, and returned as soon as taken up from the Green. Receipts will be given by the Clerk, if desir'd, which are to be returned at Delivery of the Cloth. The Proprietor's Name or Title, at Length, and Number of Yards the Cloth contains, must be sewed with Lint-yarn (and not with Silk) in the End of the Cloth. And 'tis hoped they will take the Trouble to put Latchets, at 6 Quarters Distance, on each Side of the Cloth, exactly over-against one another.

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